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SOLM UK Family Weekends

These weekends, usually in Nottingham, are specifically set aside for those who would like to spend time learning more about 'Developing a Relationship With God' and dealing with hindrances to this relationship. Planned weekends are as follows: 1st and 2nd February (Stapleford) 5th and 6th April (Stapleford)

Conferences

The SOLM UK Biannual Conference will take place at St John's College, Bramcote, Nottingham, from 30th July to 3rd August 2014.

Catalogue

For details of available books, Study Guides, DVDs, CDs, MP3, videos and audio tapes please contact Dave Kennard. Please note that while stocks last ALL videos have been reduced to £3.00 and all audio tapes to £2.00.

The Baptism of the Holy Spirit

We all received the Holy Spirit at Salvation! Without the Holy Spirit we are not born again. Also our human spirit is sealed by the Holy Spirit (since the cross) and Spirit is no longer a visitor. King David had the Holy Spirit assisting or with Him but through sin the Spirit could be taken away, Psalm 51:11. But Jesus said to his disciples the "Holy Spirit is with you now and will be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth" (John 14:16-17). He has been GIVEN freely since Jesus was glorified, John 7:37-39 and He came inside of them after He prayed. John 16:7. But we receive the Baptism of the Holy Spirit from Jesus not just because of His sacrifice. Otherwise the Holy Spirit would have been poured out after Jesus died on the cross.

"He can only see Christ if we are hid in Christ. If we are in the flesh then God will see Adam not Christ."

The disciples followed Jesus and paid a price to stay with him as many had left. We need the power of the Holy Spirit not for miracles but to overcome sin and the devil and enter the Kingdom of God. Without submitting to the Holy Spirit we cannot live in the Kingdom. The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is for those who are trying to enter the Kingdom of God now and the disciples were doing just that. Others, who had been following Jesus, left Him after hearing His hard sayings. We should not deceive ourselves. The Spirit of God can come upon us and it is not God's plan that we live a life resisting Him! The Baptism is when we are submerged, surrendered, yielded and submitted to the direction of the Holy Spirit. It does not mean we are hearing and obeying God perfectly but we are receiving regular direction and submitting to Him.

The devil can steal in two ways. He can use ignorance so that you never experience what God wants for you because you do not know and do not release your faith accordingly. If

you rely on an experience you had of God filling you at one time, since when you have not been open to a Spirit led life because you say you have been baptised and speak in Tongues, then you have been deceived! You can assume you already have the Baptism of the Holy Spirit while God is still trying to give this to you! The devil is a thief and also produces counterfeits of real spiritual truths so that those, with no spiritual discernment pass on things to others that are not right!

What, then, are the signs that the Holy Spirit is living in us correctly and that we are not hindering Him?

1. Gifts of the spirit operate when He is present: prophecy, visions and dreams (Acts 2:17-18, Joel 2:28. See also 1 Cor. 12:7-11.) We can sing with Psalms (Eph. 5:19). But God speaking to us using dreams or visions is never very efficient. God had to use a vision of unclean animals to speak to Peter but God

Some great authors talking about Faith

"Faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see. Through their faith, the people in days of old earned a good reputation." Hebrews 11:1-2

Sometimes it's tough to live by faith. It can be scary to step out in faith. Living by faith is a journey of getting to know and trust God. Below are some of the best statements about faith. May your faith be increased as you read them!

"A man who has faith must be prepared to be not only a martyr, but to be a fool." G.K. Chesterton

"Don't be afraid to take a big step. You can't cross a chasm in two small steps." David Lloyd George

"Faith does not struggle; faith let's God do it all." Corrie Ten Boom

"Faith never knows where it is being led, but it loves and knows the one who is leading." A.W. Tozer

"Never put a question mark where God has put a period (full stop)." John R. Rice

"True faith commits us to obedience." A.W. Tozer

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could not speak to him directly. We are supposed to learn to hear the

voice of the Lord clearly. The Gifts of the Spirit are not a sign of maturity and they are a substitute for clear direction and obedience to the daily direction that comes from the voice of the Lord.

2. Fruits of the Spirit are evident: love, joy, peace, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self control. (Gal 5:22-23.) These manifest with very little effort as you are led and controlled by the Spirit. What kills the fruit is when you come out of the Spirit because of fear or anxiety and you take over the Lordship of your situation. The fruits of the spirit are a sign that you have been yielded to the spirit. It is possible to counterfeit these if you want to but you need them to be tested by experience. We are not talking about the peace of the world which is only there when things are peaceful. Our love is shallow and will run out easily. But the love of God just keeps flowing and flowing. You may feel vulnerable without these fruits in abundance but do not be tempted to try and duplicate any of these fruits because of your pride and because you do not have anything to show. If you feel this way, immediately yield to the spirit and ask Him what to do.
3. By the power of the Spirit we MAKE Jesus Lord. A life submitted to the Spirit also means a commitment to Baptism in Water and following Jesus. Maybe the thought of getting baptised fills you with fear. You will not be afraid if you are baptised in the Spirit! After an initial encounter with the Holy Spirit the gentiles in Cornelius' House began to speak in tongues and extol God boldly (Acts 10:44-47). However, Peter saw them praising God and saw tongues as a sign that they were filled with the Holy Spirit. Peter knew that this meant they were only filled with the Holy Spirit by grace and partly to get his attention. God used this event to change Peter's thinking. Peter said I perceive that God is no respecter of persons (Acts 10:34). These people had no real knowledge of Christ as Lord and Saviour. So Peter commanded that the people speaking and praising God be baptised in water (Acts 10:35). Baptism in water is also a commitment to follow Christ first and die for Him if necessary! It is not just a tradition.
4. The Holy Spirit will be your teacher and He will bring back to your remembrance the words of Jesus without your human effort (John 14:26. Also John 16:14-15). This is not you trying to memorise scripture. If you then respond to the scripture that He gives you He will do this more and more. When scripture starts coming it is for you. It needs to change you first. Do not make the mistake of thinking this word is for someone else. Until it has changed you then you are not authorised to TEACH this to anyone else. GOD will best teach you through what you see Him doing directly through you! You will not depend just on what your Pastor is teaching you. You can also get a message directly from God if there is no revelation coming through your local church. If God cannot use your pastor or leaders instead He will teach you directly. Leadership can be bypassed. Even Paul the Apostle feared that he himself could become a castaway (1 Cor. 9:27). It does not mean we do not submit to those over us. Joseph Hedgecock's example was that he was submitted to an elder in his apostolic training who did not even like him. The elder who was not willing to train Joseph refused to train him. Because of Joseph's persistence and willingness to submit he was rewarded with extra revelation of the book, "My Sheep Hear My Voice" and he completed the training despite this elder. You need to learn this lesson of submission otherwise you will be in God's school forever. You can pass your test and qualify as a Godly leader even if the leadership over you do not do their job properly. Do not blame leadership in your church for your lack of growth or qualification.

Dave Kennard's Porridge

1 John 2:27 But as for you, the anointing (the sacred appointment, the unction) which you received from Him abides [^[a]permanently] in you; [so] then you have no need that anyone should instruct you. But just as His anointing teaches you concerning everything and is true and is no falsehood, so you must abide in (live in, never depart from) Him [being ^[b]rooted in Him, knit to Him], just as [His anointing] has taught you [to do].

What does everything mean? Well funnily enough it does mean what it says. It includes ALL things.

Dave had cooked porridge for breakfast. Then of course he came to cleaning the pan, not an activity that he enjoyed. He thought to put the pan in soak and leave it there until lunchtime when it should be a lot easier to clean. It was at this stage that the Lord spoke to him!

"Are you a porridge pan?" He asked

"A what? A porridge pan. What do you mean?" Dave replied

"A porridge pan." The Lord repeated.

The Lord went on to explain. "Sin is like porridge. It can stick. Now whilst you deal (eat) with most of it, you are still left with some that is not easy to get rid of. It clings to the bowls and the pan. Most people get rid of the major sin in their lives, the obvious stuff and there are very few walking around that are active murderers, adulterers, thieves and the like, but what about the 'small' things. Are they prepared to deal with those or do they allow the sin to stick like the porridge? You deal with the porridge by soaking it in water. You can deal with the sin by soaking in the Spirit! (You soak in the Spirit by being obedient to His voice.) A good long soak in water allows you to remove the porridge easily. It's proportional; the longer the soak, the easier it is to get rid of the porridge. The same happens with the smaller sins that seem so difficult to get rid of. You just need to soak in the Spirit, the longer the better and then they are easily removed. And if you stir the water (which is the equivalent of you moving in the Spirit under God's commands and in His strength) watch the erosion effect like the erosion activity of a river. Not only will the effect of the erosion create a new path but it also helps get rid of the 'porridge' faster. If you are moving IN the Spirit at His unction, under His leading, that last 5 to 10% of sin is so much easier to get rid of."

On the other hand notice that stagnant water has no erosive power whatsoever. If you are not going anywhere in your Christian life, just ticking over, then sin is not just very hard to get rid of, but probably impossible!

**God can teach you about anything at anytime
if you are expecting Him to do that. As your
faith is so it is unto you!**

5. You receive power to be a witness throughout the earth (Acts 1:8) It takes a lot more to be a witness! You have to be prepared for Him to lead you into something not just lead you out. He wants to put you in the front row so you can see all the action! Many people do not want this. Part of you being a witness is that He will lead you into situations that are difficult or challenging. At this point you can try and resist the Spirit through fear. But perfect love casts out all fear! When the Spirit came upon Jesus He was led into the wilderness to be tempted (Matt 4:1, Mark 1:12, Luke 4:1). David experienced the valley of the Shadow of death but had no fear because he knew the presence of God (Psalm 23). He was comforted by God's presence but also had the authority and received the correction that came with that relationship.
6. You receive daily direction from the Holy Spirit, You hear the voice of God not only for the present but also about things in the future (John 16:13, John 10:27). You do not have to ask for direction because this comes as a result of you trusting God with all your heart (Prov. 3:5-6). The foolish virgins were described as without forethought. What God wants to do in your life, He explains well in advance. This gives you time to prepare. When God speaks that gives you the time to seek Him and find out what you need in order to be ready for the time when God opens an effectual door.
7. He will bear witness to truth within you so you cannot be deceived (John 15:26) Any major deception shows that you are not Baptised in the Holy Spirit. When **you** are thinking too much (in the flesh), you are no match for the devil. When you are in the flesh the devil can kill, destroy and steal from you. We are to test everything and not rely or lean on our own understanding.
8. You will not be continually grieving the Holy Spirit (Eph. 4:30). There is grace for where we are but not grace to stay where we are. In the beginning we are going to do a lot of things out of ignorance and unbelief. Paul got grace from God, (Phil 2:13) but he also had to grow spiritually. The grieving of the Spirit is like an alarm clock. It is not there to terrorise you. The 'noise' is to tell you it is time to wake up. You can just ignore the 'alarm' or 'press it off; or you can try to smother it with some pillow and get up when you feel like it. You should not do this! You should respond to the alarm of God immediately.
9. You will always be filled with the Holy Spirit. This is commanded in Ephesians 5:18. It is only possible when you are submerged and directed by the Spirit. Just getting occasional top ups is not going to keep your vessel filled with the Holy Spirit. Your vessel has to be baptised in the Spirit. This means you are submitted, under and yielded to the Spirit. You will not be going through dry periods when you are feeling empty. You are always hearing and obeying God. You are ready for Jesus to come anytime as in the case of the wise virgins. The foolish virgins asked for some oil in Matt 25:8. The wise told the foolish virgins (Matt 25:9) to go to those who sell and buy some. There are anointed leaders who God has put over us who have paid the price to live a life filled with the Holy Spirit. Are you going to pay the price to get the same kind consistent anointing on your own life. This is not buying physical oil in bottles. It is about killing the flesh. There is no short cut to a holy life.
10. You will have LIFE! Jesus came to give us life (John 10:10) and called many giving them power to be the sons of God (John 1:12, Heb. 2:10). It is through being led by the Holy Spirit that we will have joy and a spring of life within (Ps. 16:11, John 7:39). We have to choose between life and death. (See Rom. 8:13.) We cannot

Testimony

South Africa

Hi Dr Jenkins

How wonderful to hear from you again! How were your meetings that you had here? The people in church were so happy to have the books, and already we need more! I started a bible fellowship with some people here at work today and I was thinking of introducing them to the book also. I tell you, this is such a necessary journey for every believer! I must make a plan to get some more books. Thank you and God bless you

Ethiopia (2)

Dear Dr. Keith

I have a wonderful thank for you. Really I am blessed by your teaching. Hopefully when you return back to Ethiopia I will prepare and make available a program in our church. God bless you !

Dear Brother,

Good to hear from you again. I bought the book from you and have started reading it. I am on "Practical steps to Fellowship with God". It is a great book.

Thank you for allowing me to stand beside you interpreting the message. It is an honour and a privilege. More than the people, the message touched my heart and brought a change in my thinking. "Being led by the Spirit" is very important and the source is a relationship with the Lord, making Him the Lord of my life. Let's keep in touch. You can call or e-mail with this one or my alternative address.

Kenya

Glad of me to remember you once more. Praise God and may I render you thanks for the book, "My sheep Hear my Voice" by JC Hedgecock that I received from you in Nairobi when you were travelling from Tanzania to Kampala in Uganda. Indeed, it is a very, very vital book, with the best teachings. I have ever met. As I had told when we met in Nairobi that evening and I said "I'm from Busia." I therefore request that you to put me in your programmes so that you may reach us in Butula in Busia with those teachings.

Thanks. God Bless you.

Deception

I was backing out my car from a parking space under some trees. I looked through the rear windscreen and saw nothing behind me. I reversed out and bang! My immediate thought was, why have I hit something because there was nothing behind me. But I had. I had hit a large iron girder that held up a water tank. I was amazed as I had not seen it when I had looked. But the evidence was there, I had hit it. There was very little damage to either the car or iron girder. But I was a little cross and perplexed. So I started to repent of being cross and then asked the Lord about the situation. He said, "It is like deception in the end times. You will look with your eyes and see nothing but then something will appear, too late for you to react. You need to look with spiritual eyes and discern a situation spiritually. Check it out with the Me, not in your reasoning and understanding."

Isn't God gracious when he turns everything we do in to a parable or teaching situation for our benefit and edification. God takes my mess, my sin and my situation and turns it into a lesson. Isn't He incredible!

Dave Kennard

create life in ourselves by being intelligent or good. We ONLY get life by killing the flesh and walking in the Spirit. You cannot walk in the Spirit by using your own reasoning to check what God is saying.

11. You will have LIBERTY! This is not freedom to do what we want. It is freedom from the Law to obey Christ. We receive liberty through the Holy Spirit (2 Cor. 3:17, Gal. 2:4) and are not operating under any system of rules (Gal. 5:1). There is only one law in the Body of Christ and that is "Whatever the Holy Spirit says; Do it!" If you are led by the Spirit then you are not under the Law. (Gal. 5:18)
12. You will be ever good, righteous and full of truth. Jesus was like this (John 1:14) and we can do this by following Him and obeying the Holy Spirit. Jesus also relied on the power of the Holy Spirit and not on himself. We are righteous in His sight (Rom. 8:4, Eph. 5:9, John 5:30, Matt. 5:20, Matt. 13:43, 1 John 3:7) and that true righteousness is demonstrated by its end results and the final outcome. When you do the right thing that proves you are righteous. When we try to 'do good' we can think we are obeying God. However the Bible says there is a way that seems right to man but the end there of death and destruction. (Prov. 14:12).
13. You are not being directed by common sense, reason or logic. (John 3:8, Rom. 8:7, 1 Cor. 2:14) God's ways are higher than the ways of man (Is. 55:9). It is only the Spirit who knows the things of God. The flesh cannot discern, or do, the things of the Spirit (Rom. 8:5).
14. You understand and examine all things Those in the Spirit always get a correct perspective but cannot be understood or judged/examined by others with natural understanding (1 Cor. 2:15). You may appear foolish to others. If others always love what you are teaching then something is wrong. Jesus used parables so that 'seeing' the people would not understand and 'hearing' they would not comprehend. Jesus could not tell a lie if His life depended on it but if he told the truth they would stone him. Many left Jesus because of the hard sayings.
15. Persecution will be present You will have an abundance of truth as you led by Him (John 16:13, 1 John 5:6) but this brings conviction first to you. Do not stop this truth living in you by getting offended. Others will be offended so deal with your offences first and then you can ready for how others might react Then you will not be surprised if they get offended! You need to make sure you do not react to truth yourself that has changed you. You will need to make a stand for that truth now. Even when others stop following the truth you must still follow. You cannot please God and the mammon in you or in others (Matt. 6:24, Luke 16:13) neither can you please God and be in the flesh (Rom. 8:8). The determination of flesh or spirit will be from source (John 3:6). When you live a Godly life in Christ Jesus you will be persecuted (2 Tim. 3:12). Those of the flesh will also persecute you (Gal. 4:29). (See also John 15:19 and Matt. 5:10.)
16. You will become true worshippers You will worship the way God wants, with truth and actions and not just words (John 4:23-24, Matt. 15:7-8). No traditions. All the gifts will operate as He decides. You will not be controlling what others do in worship. Christ will be manifest in you. Jesus knows how to worship the Father.
17. Sanctification comes so that your life is changing (2 Thess. 2:13). Sin will be passing away through real repentance and change. You are becoming a new creature (2 Cor. 5:17). God makes all things new. There is no room for following principles when you are a true disciple. You have to keep following Christ and walk in the Spirit. The flesh can learn by copying others but it cannot copy the Holy Spirit because He does things differently every time. People in Eastern Europe learn first how to pray before they read their Bible! The style of praying in traditional churches is so often the same. The flesh can always try to duplicate what it sees so that it does not have to submit to the Holy Spirit. Magicians tried to duplicate even the acts of God through Moses and his rod. The devil has counterfeits in the church, brought through people who want to have a form of godliness without paying the price to follow Christ or change. There are many in the church today that want a Gospel with little or no cost. These are the popular churches but they will not be ready and will have no eternal reward.
18. Love for each other comes when we really start obeying the truth (1 Pet. 1:22). Your love is directed by God giving you commands. You love those who God wants you to love. Those who are submitted to the Holy Spirit will be earnestly seeking what they do for others for the church or for those in the family.
19. You are free from any condemnation. This includes judgement from others and from God (Rom. 8:1). You can only abide in Christ by doing what He says so therefore you need to be walking after the Spirit and not after the flesh. By doing this you stay in Christ.
20. You will overcome the Law of Sin death in Romans 7:21-24. Submission to the Holy Spirit makes us free from the Law of sin and death (Rom. 8:2) and the destruction that comes with walking in the flesh (Gal. 6:7). The law of sin and death is like Gravity. It is there to keep your feet on the ground. If you are tempted to think you know how to do everything and you think you know what the right thing to do is you will fall. The law of sin and death comes into force when we try to do 'good.' It is only when let go and let the Holy Spirit lead that you escape the law of sin and death. This is same as being in an aeroplane at 38,000 feet! You rise up because of the force of the engines, but gravity is still there and the plane will crash if the engines do not keep pushing the plane.



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21. You will eventually kill the flesh (Rom. 8:13, Col. 3:5, 2 Cor. 7:1) It does not take long. You have to be consistent to kill the flesh. You cannot decide to do this for a while and then again indulge in the flesh. When the flesh is dead you still have to walk in the Spirit. The Bible says whatever you yield your members to obey that will become your master. (Rom. 6:13)
22. You are always pleasing to God (Phil 2:13) Sacrifices do not bring pleasure to God. Hebrews 10:6 says He takes no pleasure in sacrifices for sin. Most are told that being accepted by God is the result of being BORN AGAIN and that when God looks at us He sees Christ instead. This is not necessarily true! **He can only see Christ if we are hid in Christ.** If we are in the flesh then God will see Adam not Christ. ONLY those who are born of God cannot sin (1 John 3:9). The term 'Born of God' is better translated 'born from above'. God's plans are always perfect and we can only be part of them when we are directed by the Spirit.
23. We qualify to have Jesus living inside of us (John 14:18-20, 1 John 3:24) The Holy Spirit was poured out on the disciples of Jesus because of their reverence for God and because they kept Jesus' commands. (See also Peter's words in Acts 10:35.) Jesus comes in when we start to be obedient to the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the deposit but Jesus and the Father are the ones who come afterwards (John 14:21-23).
24. You have unlimited strength and effortless efficiency in all things You can do more with less effort and become more consistent (Is. 40:31). You have this because you wait on the Lord. This means you are listening to what He wants you to do now. This is not you waiting for Him to do something you want Him to do.
25. You are able to defeat every argument that opposes the truth (2 Cor. 10:3-5) Jesus was teaching in the temple when He was 11 years old. The Jews were often amazed at his teaching. This is not using reasoned arguments or through debating. (See 2 Tim 2:24) You will be able to do mighty things even to the pulling down of strongholds. The first stronghold is the devil and flesh in us.
26. All Glory goes to the Lord. The spirit will glorify Jesus (John 16:14). We can bring Glory to God by hearing and doing his will by the Spirit (John 7:16-18) otherwise we are bringing glory to self. The fruit of the Spirit is the sign of a mature response to the Spirit led life because you have been abiding in the Spirit and not just visiting the vine (John 15:8). Our responsibility is to remain yielded to the Holy Spirit.
27. You are constantly renewing the mind (Rom. 12:2) Reading the Word alone cannot change or reformat your thinking. Jesus mocked the religious leaders who searched the scriptures. It is by the Holy Spirit alone. Titus 3:5 says it is not by works and this includes reading the Bible. Without the Holy Spirit you cannot understand the Bible. The word of Prophecy is no private interpretation (2 Pet 1:20).
28. You live in the Kingdom of God now Romans 14:17 says the Kingdom is here now and this is where we need to be living. Those who are born and controlled by the Spirit can enter the Kingdom of God (John 3:5).
29. You have greater sensitivity to things of the Spirit. Your senses begin to be less connected to things of the world, the lust of the eyes and the desires of the flesh. Your emotions are moved by what God is saying. This is particularly true of those who have the gift of intercession.
30. You have no fear of man or death. The Spirit helps you overcome fear of death and fear of man. You can get criticism as a result of obeying God. People do not like truth and they can threaten doing things to try and control you. When we obey the Spirit we will do things that are not acceptable to man's sensitivity and timing. The fear of man is a snare.
31. You will become part of the Body and be fitly joined together with others who are following Christ (1 Cor. 12:12-13. Eph. 4, 11-16) You will not end up being a lone ranger. The closer you get to Christ the closer you will get to others who are following Christ.

“The power of the Holy Spirit is not for you to do your plan or purpose. It is there for you to seek God and keep His commands (John 14:15).”

What did Jesus do for us to receive the Holy Spirit freely?

1. Jesus had to die for the sins of the whole world, suffer, be glorified first and overcome the devil
2. Jesus had to ask the Father to give the Holy Spirit freely (John 14:16)
3. The Heavenly Father sent the Holy Spirit in Jesus Name as His son directed (John 14:26)
4. Jesus also sent the Holy Spirit Himself (John 15:26)
5. We are Holy Spirit baptised by Jesus and this not a work of man (Matt 3:11, Mark 1:8, Luke 3:16, John 1:33)

What are the conditions for us to receive the Holy Spirit?

1. We must be born again, John 3:3, by accepting the work of Jesus on the cross for our sins alone.
2. We have to be true disciples and be prepared to follow Jesus does not just convert who say Lord, Lord. (Matt 7:21)
3. We have to be in right standing with God beforehand even if this has only been a short time. (Acts 10:35)
4. We must ask. (Luke 11:11-13)
5. We must seek Him with all our hearts. (Matt 7:7-8, Deut 4:29)
6. We should be seeking Water Baptism. (Acts 10:44-47)
7. We must not be friendly with or love the world. (John 14:17. James 4:4)
8. We must not simply be keeping traditions, rules or laws (self acquired righteousness) but rather keeping a right relationship by obeying the word of faith that He gives. (John 14:17)
9. We must seek for the commands of Jesus and be willing to obey Him. (John 14:15) Joseph Hedgecock received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit because he needed power to do what God was telling him to do. He did not have enough power to overcome the flesh and fear. The power of the Holy Spirit is not for you to do your plan or purpose. It is there for you to seek God and keep His commands (John 14:15). If you are still trying to get more power to do what you want then you are still not submitted to the Lordship of Jesus Christ. We must seek for the commands of Jesus and be willing to obey Him. (John 14:15)

Please support the following Ministry visits in prayer. When the dates have passed please pray that those who were present have been blessed by the visit and teaching they received. Please pray also for the travelling which takes place around these trips and the accommodation where Keith often has the opportunity to spend additional time with his hosts. Please pray also for those who meet Keith at airports, bus and train stations and who often assist by carrying and/or storing books. Their help is so valuable. There is also family back in Stapleford! If you require further details, or if you would like advance notice of dates in different countries, please contact Dave Kennard. Thank you.

Keith Jenkins' trip to Germany and Austria

Thursday 31st October to Saturday 2nd November and Sunday 10th and Monday 11th November
Keith travelling with George Brett in Munich, Elke Meyer and Christoph Reif in Freidstadt.

Thursday 31 October 7pm	Germany	Munich	BICF
Friday 1st November. Day seminar	Austria	Freistadt	Evangeliumsgemeinde, Technologiezentrum, Industriestr
Sunday 10 th November	Germany	Bretten	TBC
Monday 11 th Nov	Germany	Laimering	TBC

Keith Jenkins' trip to Tel Aviv, Cyprus, Greece, Montenegro, Albania, Bulgaria, Serbia, Macedonia & Switzerland.

Monday 4th to Thursday 14th November 2013

Keith travelling with Darren Roy

Saturday 2 nd November 5pm	Israel	Tel Aviv	Bible study
Saturday 2 nd November 9pm	Israel	Jerusalem	Word International Ministries
Sunday 3 rd November 10am	Israel	Jerusalem	CMA Church
Monday 4 th November 5pm	Cyprus	Limassol	Bulgarian Church
Monday 4 th November	Cyprus	Nicosia	Prayer Group
Tuesday 5 th November	Greece	Athens	Church Of God Of Full Gospel
Wednesday 6 th November 6pm	Montenegro	Podgorica	Baptist church
Thursday 7 th November 7pm	Montenegro	Podgorica	Pentecostal Church
Friday 8 th November	Bulgaria/Albania	Travelling day	Pastors meeting possible in Serbia
Saturday 9 th November 2pm – 6pm	Macedonia	Stip	House Meeting, Day Seminar
Sunday 10 th November 9am	Macedonia	Skopje	Congregational Church
Sunday 10 th November 6pm	Germany	Bretten	Hotel meeting, www.treffpunktlebenbretten.de
Monday 11 th November 7.45pm	Germany	Laimering	Josua mission
Tuesday 12 th November 8pm	Switzerland	St Gallen	House meeting
Wednesday 13 th November 12pm-2pm	Switzerland	Lausanne	YWAM
Wednesday 13 th November	Switzerland	Geneva	Pentecostal Church Of The Living Saviour

Keith Jenkins visit to the Gambia, Sierra Leone, Guinea, Mali and Senegal

Tuesday 19th to Tuesday 26th November 2013

Tuesday 19 th November pm	Gambia	Banjul	Church meeting
Thursday 21 st November pm	Sierra Leone	Freetown	Grace Evangelical Baptist Church
Friday 22 nd November pm	Sierra Leone	Freetown	Grace Evangelical Baptist Church
Saturday 23 rd November am	Rep Guinea	Conakry	Eglise De La Reconciliation Et Guerison
Saturday 23 rd November pm	Rep Guinea	Conakry	Holy Fire Evangelical Church International
Sunday 25 th November am	Mali	Bamako	Sunday morning meeting
Sunday 25 th November pm	Senegal	Dakar	Sunday evening meeting
Monday 26 th November am	Gambia	Banjul	Leaders meeting

Keith Jenkins meetings in Nigeria

Saturday 30th November to Sunday 15th December 2013

Keith travelling with OC Obioha

Sunday 1 st December am	Nigeria	Lagos: Surulere	Overcomers Revival International Church:
Sunday 1 st December pm	Nigeria	Port Harcourt	One Accord Megachurch:
Monday 2 nd December day	Nigeria	Aba	GLOMF
Tuesday 3 rd December 9am	Nigeria	Enugu	Rock Family Church
Wednesday 4 th December 9am	Nigeria	Enugu	Rock Family Church
Thursday 5 th December 9am	Nigeria	Enugu	Rock Family Church
Friday 6 th December pm	Nigeria	Enugu	N/Haven: AOG
Saturday 7 th December	Nigeria	Enugu	Dr Okezie's Fellowship
Sunday 8 th December pm	Nigeria	Benin	Assemblies of God Mission

Keith Jenkins meetings in Benin, Togo, Ghana and Ivory Coast			
Monday 9 th to Monday 16 th December			
Monday 9 th December	Benin	Cotonou	Living Fountain Ministries International
Tuesday 10 th December	Togo	Lome	Meeting to be arranged
Wednesday 11 th December 10am	Ghana	Addokope	Messiah Embassy
Wednesday 11 th December pm	Ghana	Accra	Word Miracle Church International:
Thursday 12 th December am	Ghana	Accra	Scripture Union (GH):
Thursday 12 th December pm	Ghana	Accra	Elim
Friday 13 th December pm	Ghana	Accra	AOG Church
Friday 13 th December pm	Ghana	Accra	The Lordship Of Christ Mission Church
Saturday 14 th December	Cote 'D' Ivoire	Abidjan	AOG
Sunday 15 th December am	Cote 'D' Ivoire	Abidjan	Living Faith Miracle Church

Keith Jenkins is available to speak in Dublin or Belfast, on 22nd or 29th December. If you are interested please contact him as soon as possible. Thank you.

Diverse Trials – a trip in Southern Africa, September 2013

We are supposed to pray for God's will to be done in all things without complaining. We can still have fun when things go wrong because we know it will work to our good in the end. We will never be overcomers if we do not go through things in this life and prove that we can do things that world says is hard impossible with the peace of God. The world is watching and they want to see what faith in action is really like. Also all the blessings in Revelation 2 and 3 are for those who are overcomers it is not just for those who are born-again!

I felt God say I had to visit Amsterdam on the way to Africa! Some of the meetings that God wanted me speaking at were arranged at the last minute and the appointments required some hardship along the way but this is sometimes necessary. In Birmingham, when I reached the airport, I realised I had left my notebook computer at home in the kitchen charging. This meant that I could not easily answer my emails offline while on the trip. Despite this situation I had a real peace. I would have more time with the people as it was going to be a busy schedule. Not working on the computer would give me a little more time for resting and time to concentrate on other things on the trip. My shoulder had become quite painful before the trip from continually typing on the keyboard, so this meant that I could rest it for at least 2 weeks!

After arriving in Schipol airport, Amsterdam, I was to speak at two meetings on the Sunday. Before leaving the airport I went to the check-in desk of the next flight and was given the opportunity to check in eleven hours beforehand! At most airports you can normally only check in two to three hours before the flight, but I was able to check in for my 7.45pm evening flight at 8.30am! My baggage allowance included two bags of 23kg but I could not bring more from England. Bert Spaans was assisting me on this visit to Amsterdam and had brought some books from stocks kept in Holland so I could check in my bag I had brought from England immediately. Before I left I was listening to the Lord and He had me pack it ready for Africa. This early check-in was important as I would not have had time after the two meetings in Amsterdam if I had to queue and get my boarding pass. At the ticket check-in, the airline personnel issued my boarding pass through to Malawi. This meant I could go straight through security. Normally entering Africa is not smooth as the airlines normally check for a visa and look through all your travel documentation thoroughly. UK citizens do not need a visa for Malawi for a short visit. However in 2010 travelling from London to Lilongwe I was forced to pay the full-fare for an additional ticket from Malawi to fly home just in case I was refused entry in Malawi! This was not the case in Amsterdam! My bag was also given a 'hot sticker' at check-in as well to make sure it did not miss a connection in Frankfurt. Praise the Lord.

I visited two churches in Amsterdam and I had not seen the pastor for at least three or four years. The first meeting gave me a very warm welcome and many asked about a possible return visit or future meetings in the UK. The people were touched by the message and this showed in the way that many were asking about books even in English. In the second church it was a mainly Dutch speaking white congregation but, afterwards, only some wanted copies of the book "My Sheep Hear My Voice" in Dutch. Later I got an email from the church to say that someone wanted to come and hear more and booked in for a family teaching weekend in England! This pastor also asked someone to take me to the airport in Amsterdam which was only twenty minutes away. As we were approaching the airport there was a jam on the highway so the driver took another route. I was able to reach the gate in time. The Lord had said take the flight from Amsterdam instead and it was much smoother!

At 12:30 the next day I arrived safely in Lilongwe. Before I left Frankfurt I had sent a message to my host in Mozambique to say that on Tuesday evening I would leave Blantyre at about 4pm and arrive at 9pm in Tete. The plan was to spend the Monday night in Blantyre. The meeting in Lilongwe was 2pm-4pm. I left immediately afterwards using a local bus to Blantyre. By 5pm in Africa it was dark as well. On the Tuesday I had to be in Blantyre to get my visa for Mozambique in the morning. Immediately afterwards I needed to travel to the border with Mozambique and then by bus to Tete to spend the night there. This was to catch up with my Wednesday meeting in Swaziland! The meeting in Lilongwe was well translated and well understood by my host. My contact there could only offer me a mud-hut but was really serving the Lord. He was working a night shift so that he did not have to burden the people to raise enough money for his family income; a very honourable man! The leader had arranged the Monday meeting 2-4pm, advertised it but was not well attended. Those who came were delighted to see me and one senior pastor bought a book. From the small offering in Lilongwe I had just enough to cover my bus fare to Blantyre which is about 5½ hours. At the bus station in Lilongwe there is competition to enter coaches of different companies going to Blantyre leaving as late as 9pm. I

prayed asking God which bus to get. The price is the same but they are not all fast and you need to get the first one if possible and a coach company that is reliable fills quickly! The buses do not leave until all the seats are taken and people are squeezed in and there is little or no standing room left in the aisles! I got the last seat in a bus that left at 6pm arriving 12:30 just after midnight in Blantyre. My host came late at 1am to collect me and I got to bed at 2am!

I imagined arriving at midnight in Blantyre on Monday with only a few hours' rest on the plane beforehand. I needed to get up early too to get the visa in Blantyre from the Mozambique consulate. I was up at 6am got a shower and breakfast by 7am. I left early to go to the consulate as there are often some challenges. It can be difficult to get visas abroad but I had done this before. I arrived at the Consulate at opening time. In Africa you often pay for the printed visa application form separately and I started filling it out. By 10am I had my visa in my passport for Mozambique and then had time to access some of my emails before speaking at a lunch hour meeting in the city Pentecostal Church. The meeting had about 20 people and afterwards some came and purchased books. The host pastor was blessed by the message. I had never met this pastor before but he took over from a Canadian and there was a chance to talk a little afterwards.

My host in Blantyre had agreed to take me by car to the border after a 2pm-4pm session. The session was well attended for a Tuesday afternoon and it then took 2 hours to the border. I was at the border by 5:40pm. Someone had said that the border normally closes at 6pm. However, due to a long term peace in the area the border was staying open longer up to 9pm. I could have spent longer teaching! However, leaving later would have meant arriving very late in Tete. I tried to reach my host on the phone before arriving but there was no reply from any of the contact telephone numbers. I even sent the text in Frankfurt Airport but got no reply. There are often network problems and there was still no reply. We was about 30 minutes from Tete when the car got a flat tyre and the driver had no spare. I arrived at midnight in Tete in Mozambique. I could not reach my host and outside were a lot of mosquitoes. The vehicle that broke down on the roadside had dropped me in front of a hotel in the centre of Tete. I had no address for my host and the phone numbers were not working, so I prayed and the Lord said to check into the hotel. This was a blessing as before this I had only had about 4 hours proper sleep in 2 days!

In the morning I was able to call my host and explain what happened. They had moved house and were living far from the city. I did ask the Lord if I should try and find the house after I arrived at Midnight but He said not to do this. In the hotel I had a cooked breakfast in the morning with some sausages and eggs. I do like to start the day with a full breakfast where possible! At the buffet breakfast I felt the Lord also said to take time to make sandwiches for the trip. I also had some energy bars with me and I was going to be fed on the plane as well, but I did what the Lord said. I was travelling to Maputo and had planned to get a bus to the border with Swaziland when I arrived. I left early for the local airport which was about 10km outside the city, but the flight came nearly 90 minutes late. I sent a message asking if someone from the church in Maputo could come and bring me to the border with Swaziland after I arrived. I offered 5 litres of fuel initially but the Pastor wanted 3,500 Meticals which was more than a full tank of fuel. I had only so many Euros left and explained that I could not afford this. This was nearly 75 Euros and it was only 90 minutes to the border at the most from the airport. It seemed like the church was not helping at all and just wanted to make money out of my situation. Now the flight was delayed it was even more challenging. The church Pastor wanting 75 Euros was a contact from my host in 2012! At the airport one taxi driver took me to the border for only 2,500 Meticals which is about 60 Euros. I saw him put in 10 litres of fuel to take me to the border which is usually the amount for the return journey. Even the world is more charitable than one of the pastors of a major denomination in Maputo!

It took a lot longer to reach the border with Swaziland and I arrived there at 2:30pm. I passed immigration easily but was then stopped by customs. One angry official insisted on my paying tax on the books I was carrying. There was obviously a number of people being stopped as there were queues for tax documents and other payments. The senior customs official was keen to just let me go. All this created a delay. I had to change more Euros quickly and then somehow get to the meeting in Manzini. At the border there were several people paying. This was a way to make money. I met a white man who had also been forced to pay something and I asked him if he could give me a lift. He agreed and after I had paid 10 Euros for the tax on the books, he took me all the way to Manzini. We started talking about the strange situation we both experienced at the border. Then I shared testimony after testimony of hearing the Lord in the car. My driver was keen to listen. He explained that he never normally takes anyone in his car and had not given a lift to anyone in 10 years. He was one of the operational managers for the mining, in South Africa, based in Pretoria. But he said after listening to me he wanted to make sure I reached my destination safely. He remarked that he liked listening to the testimonies of hearing the Lord's voice and said he was also a believer trying to work out his own salvation in fear and trembling. He took me to Manzini where I recognised the Park Hotel which was not far from the meeting.



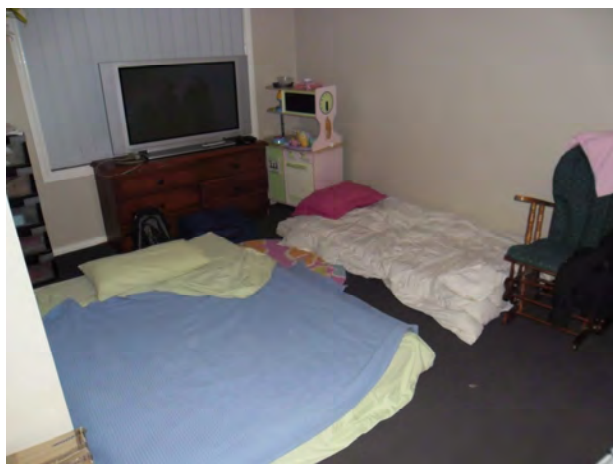
Two views of the Nottingham Office where much of the business of the Ministry is organised.

He dropped me there at 5:30pm, so I had a few minutes to eat the bread rolls that I had prepared earlier before the pastor came to take me to the meeting. I arrived outside the church 1 minute before the start of the meeting and the resident pastor had been waiting for my call since early morning. He was a bit concerned. I spoke at the church on “Being Hot, Cold or Lukewarm”. My host lead the meeting and time was given to ask questions. People were challenged by the message, especially as I answered each question. He also asked a question about repentance and the answers given were a help to all.

In the morning I left early from a very small airport to reach Johannesburg by 1am. There I met with someone who had ordered a number of books from our website. They asked and paid for 15 books. We had a short time to talk and then I had enough time to get my flight to Durban using a budget airline. The boarding process started early but once all the passengers were on board the door to the aircraft would not close. After some attempts to replace one part and close the door the captain abandoned the flight. We all had to get our bags and were short-listed for other flights. The pastor in Durban was waiting in the airport to see what was happening. My name was short-listed for the next two flights with the troubled airline. When planning, I had prayed to use this flight. I felt the Lord said for me to get to the meeting regardless. Fortunately there is a shuttle service between Johannesburg and Durban with British Airways every 30 minutes. I ran to the BA desk and asked them to get me on the next flight to Durban. It was a little over £100 because it was last minute but I got to the meeting on time. I was able to get a refund on the cancelled flight! This was an example of overcoming something the devil tried to do to spoil the meeting.

There were more challenges to come. I arrived in time and the people were very open. This was a meeting in Durban that was not possible in 2012. So many bought books that I ran out! I had a few for the next day, printed in West Africa, and the people came and purchased these. However, I had books stored in Cape Town and my next flight was from Durban to Cape Town! I had four meetings in Cape Town where one brother offered to take me to all the meetings and kept me in his home. The first meeting was with just four adults and four children and I enjoyed sharing with them. I asked the children questions and gave many illustrations. One person bought a book at the end and gave me a gift personally. I could see he really got the message even though this was a children’s version of the message! In the evening I had a meeting in the Barley Life health shop with about 8-10 people. Some had given up going to church because it had become just a religion. Some were seeking truth but did not know how to find it. I answered a lot of questions in my testimony and then afterwards there was another hour of questions. One man who was frustrated at trying to walk with Jesus and had said it was not easy. Afterwards he bought a book because he saw from my testimony that I had a lot of answers. He also agreed that he was missing a few master keys in his walk.

That night I stayed with my host and it was even a little bit cold. It was raining in Cape Town and even though I was in Africa it felt like home. I had my coat with me. In the morning I preached in a shirt and tie with just a jacket and the people were amazed at how I did not get too cold. They all had coats on. No-one purchased a book at the Sunday morning meeting, except my host, but in the last meeting I spoke to 70-80 people who bought some books before I left for the airport to get my next flight. It was a busy schedule, but several people got to hear the message for the first time. I never lost my bags on any of the flights. The flight from Cape Town left 90 minutes late and I arrived on Monday evening at midnight. Long delays can happen in Africa and you spend longer travelling. I had meetings on Monday and Tuesday in Gaborone. I also had books stored in Gaborone but they were nearly all sold after the first meeting. Even with all the books that I had brought with me from Cape Town I was running low again! I was planning to travel on Wednesday to Bulawayo but the pastor had not been able to arrange anything, except to let me speak at a crusade he was doing. One pastor in the next town was not able to arrange anything in its place. The leader from Intercessors for Zimbabwe called me and said that he could arrange a lunch hour in Harare on the next day (Thursday). On Thursday morning I was invited to speak in Gweru but the last time I was there only 3 people came and there was no offering. I did not have enough for the transport to Gweru and I did not feel that I was to go. I told the pastor I could not come. I also



Simon and Benny Dodd on tour in Australia in October 2012

contacted other pastors in Gweru when I was in Botswana and they said that a meeting was not possible. In Africa pastors make excuses at the last minute. I had to decide what to do. I was in the internet café and I prayed whether I should take the flight on Wednesday or go by road to Harare. Travelling by road was cheaper, but the flight could be booked with a credit card while I was there. The Lord said to take the flight. I was in the internet café on Tuesday and there was only one direct flight to Harare from Gaborone on Wednesday. There were still seats available. Even though I was booking this just one day before the price was reasonable. This would allow me a welcome rest and the opportunity to meet some new people.

My host in Harare, James, could not collect me at the airport when I arrived, as he was about 2-3 hours away. However, another brother, from a church where I spoke in 2012, offered to come to the airport at 1pm using public transport. He came a bit late and we returned to the centre of Harare by 2pm. When using public transport in Africa there are some extra challenges; you have to watch your bags. There is often not much space, as the vehicles are over-filled. I had two heavy bags with me from the flight and the brother with me was carrying one. On one occasion in the taxi park I was standing and a vehicle backed into me, knocking me off my feet. The pavements are not even and it is easy to trip over them and some areas are crowded with people so walking is hazardous. On arrival I got a SIM card in Harare. At 2pm I had a chance to visit the offices of Forward in Faith Ministries. All I had was the address. It was a busy day. It would be challenging making all my appointments but the brother who came to the airport offered to travel with me until 5pm. We used local buses, often costing less than \$1 each trip. It was a blessed time with several meetings in Harare that day. At 5pm I started making my way to the place where I was staying and had to do this last journey on my own. I met my host just as he was arriving at the gate of his own house at 6pm; he was a local pastor/leader, working with Foundations for Farming. I started talking and was still sharing after an hour and my host was very interested. So we both actually had something to eat quite late and were both hungry. James was travelling the next day so there was a possibility that by coming Wednesday this would be my only meeting as he was not there on Thursday. However he said he would try and come back early on Friday and take me to the airport as my flight did not leave until 1pm.



Some of our sisters in Medan, October 2012

Thursday lunchtime the meeting with Intercessors for Zimbabwe was excellent. Only 12 people came but they were interested in the few books I had left and took up an offering. The people were delighted to hear some hard sayings and had a real hunger for truth. While I was in the meeting the national ZBC radio station called and invited me to do an interview in Harare so I had to rush there! This was some distance away and used up the small offering I had been given to pay for fuel in someone's private car! The interview was very clear and the lady said she did not need to edit the recording as it was so good. The contact in the radio station came through a friend I met last year. After a lot of walking I seemed to have twisted my ankle although I did not notice it much until the evening. It was very painful to touch and as a result I did not get much sleep. In the morning I was limping. No one was in the house on Thursday evening or Friday morning to help. I had planned to visit one family near the airport on Thursday evening and stay the night with them. I sent messages and tried calling but there was no reply. I realised the pastor was scheduled for a seminar and would not be available to talk but he had invited me to stay the night. I got no reply and James offered to let me stay at his home an extra night just but he was not going to be there to assist me.

On Thursday evening I had the opportunity to meet the founder of Foundations for Farming; a friend of Dave and Diane Harper in England. He prepared a nice evening meal and afterwards some friends of James came to pick me up in the car. We talked a lot on the way back about hearing the Lord but it was getting late. The driver wanted to hear more and asked me to come for breakfast and share more as he was renting, from my host, within the same compound. This was a welcome invitation as there was no one else in the house! So on Friday morning I was offered a cooked breakfast at 7.30am. He asked many questions and wanted a copy of the book, "My Sheep Hear My Voice." This was only a short walk so that was OK for my sore ankle! It was quite painful, and at the airport I nearly asked for assistance to board the plane. On the plane I sat and felt the Lord say to stretch my foot out as much as possible and rest it directly on the cabin floor. The vibrations in the floor of the cabin on the flight seemed to soothe the pain. My foot started to swell up during the flight, which it had not done before. By the time I had arrived the pain was almost gone! I was able to move through quickly to get my visa at Immigration. The process took an hour but I arrived safely in Ethiopia. The Lord said that my ankle would be healed by the morning and it was!

In Addis I had a Saturday evening meeting and two Sunday meetings. The church hosting me was keen to feed and look after me. My host wanted to take me out after I arrived late but I said I was full of aeroplane food. I was able to access my emails in a computer shop on Saturday morning but it was slow and only connected after five attempts. I had no way of finding out where the meeting was on Saturday evening because the host had left town with no instructions on where to go!. The pastor who arranged the meeting had travelled into a remote part of Ethiopia and could not be contacted. The day before one pastor had sent

me an email and he only gave his name in the email to say that he was the one organising the meeting. It was a miracle that I was able to get access to my emails and see this in time. There was no telephone number or church address in the email. My host went to the offices of this church denomination but it was closed on Saturday. However, he remembered there was a pastor who was also in that area who knew many pastors as he also worked in a Bible school. The man, he spoke to, knew the name of the pastor and we got in contact a few hours before the start of the meeting! There was no access to my emails in the place I was staying and Wi-Fi was not available in the hotels. I may never have seen this contact if I had had my own computer as this requires a faster connection through Wi-Fi to work properly! In Addis the connection is advertised in Coffee Shops but Wi-Fi is very slow. It was a miracle that I made it to the meeting. I went early to the church and was able to work on some notes while in the office of the pastor. Later these were lost through a virus jumping onto my memory stick! However, I also met many pastors in the office. The Saturday meeting was effective. My host said that my translator was very good and the message was very clear and challenging. This was a big church with seating for nearly 1000 people. The next day the meetings went as scheduled and I met one pastor during the evening before I had to travel overnight to Kenya.

On the flight into Nairobi I ate some chicken curry which I think was not cooked properly. I did pray for the food, but very quickly I started eating because I was hungry and anxious to get some rest. I needed the sleep more than the food but in the moment I felt I 'missed it' and should never have eaten the food without checking it first. I arrived at 2am, travelled to the pastor's house, got a few hours' sleep and then had to get up at 6 am for breakfast. In the morning I was not feeling well but the next meeting was from 8 am at the Compassion offices in Nairobi. I shared a message with about 50 workers and pastors on 'Hot, Cold and Lukewarm' and they were convicted. Some American brothers walked in late and sat on the front row but they were not prepared. Others in the audience were taking notes rapidly but these Americans did not have pens and paper. Afterwards one of the Americans said he liked the message. Margaret Laloyo also came to the meeting, over night from Kampala, and arrived at the bus station by 6 am with a full load of books. She had little sleep as well. But still we did not have enough books for everyone. The Compassion office ordered 30 copies as well to make sure everyone got one who wanted one and Compassion gave an offering as well. After this meeting we met one lady pastor and a friend of Margaret and I as well, also called Margaret, and my host pastor came to meet us at the mall nearby. Meanwhile there was a situation in Kenya where some terrorists had attacked a mall and taken hostages about 5 km away. I only saw the news report the night before I travelled to Nairobi. God kept us safe. The host pastor came and picked us from the mall and took us directly to his house in Kabete to rest. The security was fine but the situation in city was tense as everyone was anxious to see the hostages freed.

I was now feverish and had a very high temperature from the meal that I had eaten in the aeroplane. I still had to speak and share. While I was standing I had no problems because of the anointing and I spoke for two hours! As soon as I stopped speaking I felt quite sick and I was shivering. I asked the Lord and he said it was not malaria! I was able to greet some people on the way out and then the pastor offered to take me back to his house. His wife had also prepared some food for me. I explained that I was not hungry but I would wait until the pastor came back home as he was staying behind at the church to take care of some issues. When I arrived where I was staying, I immediately wrapped myself in blankets and rested for nearly two hours and just as the pastor arrived the Lord woke me. The fever left me by 10pm and in the morning I was fine.

On the Tuesday the pastor had arranged a small amount of food at the church for the participants of the seminar. I was able to speak and teach for two hours on my feet. Then the pastor arranged lunch and then drove me to the airport for my flight home. This was because after the service I had to go to directly to the airport. I was now in Kabete and there was extra security because of the terrorist incident in the mall. The airport had also experienced a major fire in August and had a temporary area for arrivals while they made the necessary repairs. The flight home was scheduled to go back through Addis Ababa. The stewardess came serving the same chicken meal that I had taken previously, so I said no! Fortunately she was able to offer me a vegetarian meal instead. When I arrived in London, I found someone had opened my bag and taken the two electrical shavers. The shaver case



Lithuania, May 2013

had been opened and the spare batteries left behind scattered around inside my bag. There were no more incidents after this on my way back to Nottingham. In spite of all the difficulties, this was a great trip and I did not miss a meeting that the Lord directed. Praise the Lord. Good training and an opportunity to rejoice in all circumstances.

Keith Jenkins

SOLM Summer Family Weekend, Cornwall, August 2013

This event has now been in place since 1995 and has taken place in Nancegollan, Cornwall, usually every two years, with the exception of 1995 (Wales) and 2009 when it was hosted in Norway. In 1995 it involved just four families (three from England and one from Ireland, a total of 14) and in 1996 the four families were joined by three young men who supported Keith in the Nottingham Office.

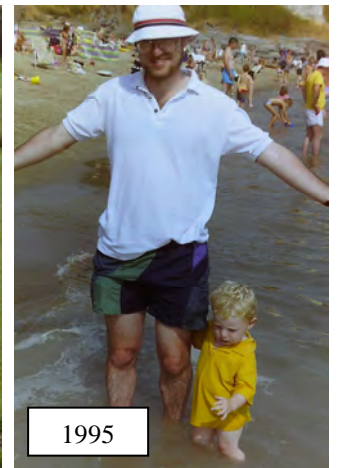
Over the years, numbers increased, the children grew older (and also increased in number) and we practised the art of accommodating as many as we could in the smallest of spaces! One year we had 11 youngsters in one tent. Another we had five guests in our Summer House (wall to wall sleeping beds!) Up until 2011 we provided breakfast for all, one year managing to cook for 29! Most years the teaching sessions took place in our living room but this changed in 2009 when we were blessed by being able to hire the Village Hall where we were also able to eat evening meals together.



Bouncy Castle fun in 1995



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This year saw a significant rise in numbers and the need to change, again, the way in which the weekend was organised. Several families (10 in all) arranged their own accommodation and five of them managed to get on the same campsite where they occupied five of the six caravans available. This was somewhat miraculous but no doubt due to them hearing the Lord over

making the bookings in time for it to work out the way it did. These families, and one or two others, extended their stay beyond the weekend and this allowed more fellowship as well as the opportunity to enjoy the local area. The Lord provided the weather we needed to enjoy a barbecue on the Sunday afternoon and pasties and cream teas on the Monday. Altogether, 57 (including 19 children aged from 4 to 17) attended this year's event, a great increase from the early years!

The way in which the accommodation worked was special but the real blessing was in the teaching. Keith was led to share on 'The Earnest of our Inheritance, The Baptism of the Holy Spirit.' This he did by starting with the fact that we cannot access the Holy Spirit consistently if we are operating in the flesh. Many Christians do not realise how much of their lives are 'worldly' and how this prevents them from accessing the fullness of what the Father wants for them. To change this we need to deal with the flesh and the only way to do this is through repentance. Many think that this involves focussing on the negative but the reality is the opposite in that our willingness to deal with the flesh in our lives leads to the removal of the hindrances that come between us and our Father and a closer, more fruitful relationship with Him. Those who want to develop their relationship with God do so as they deal with the sin in their lives!

Dave Finney

The Ant and the Contact Lens: A TRUE STORY

Brenda was almost halfway to the top of the tremendous granite cliff. She was standing on a ledge where she was taking a breather during this, her first rock climb. As she rested there, the safety rope snapped against her eye and knocked out her contact lens.

'Great', she thought. 'Here I am on a rock ledge, hundreds of feet from the bottom and hundreds of feet to the top of this cliff, and now my sight is blurry.' She looked and looked, hoping that somehow it had landed on the ledge. But it just wasn't there.

She felt the panic rising in her, so she began praying. She prayed for calm, and she prayed that she might find her contact lens. When she got to the top, a friend examined her eye and her clothing for the lens, but it was not to be found. Although she was calm now that she was at the top, she was saddened because she could not clearly see across the range of mountains. She thought of the bible verse 'The eyes of the Lord run to and fro throughout the whole earth.'

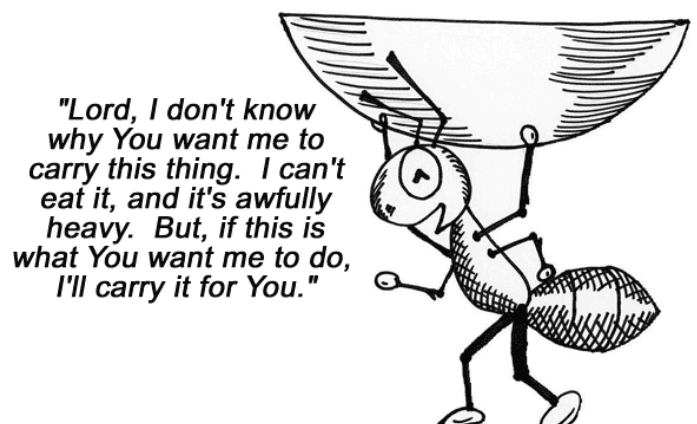
She thought, 'Lord, You can see all these mountains. You know every stone and leaf, and You know exactly where my contact lens is. Please help me'

Later, when they had hiked down the trail to the bottom of the cliff they met another party of climbers just starting up the face of the cliff. One of them shouted out, 'Hey, you guys! Anybody lose a contact lens?'

Well, that would be startling enough, but you know why the climber saw it? An ant was moving slowly across a twig on the face of the rock, carrying it!

The story doesn't end there. Brenda's father is a cartoonist. When she told him the incredible story of the ant, the prayer, and the contact lens, he drew a cartoon of an ant lugging that contact lens with the caption, 'Lord, I don't know why You want me to carry this thing. I can't eat it, and it's awfully heavy. But if this is what You want me to do, I'll carry it for You.'

I think it would do all of us some good to say, 'God, I don't know why You want me to carry this load. I can see no good in it and it's awfully heavy. But, if You want me to carry it, I will.'



"I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me." Phil. 4:13

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